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THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

To.

Name and Address of Officer:

Rakesh Mittal

Chief Public Information Officer (CPIO).

Ministry of Home Affairs.

North Block,

New Delhi - 110001

1. Name of the Applicant:

Mr. Arul Selvan

2. Address for communication:

Mr. Arul Selvan,

12, Nathalal Parekh Marg. YMCA, Room No.311, Colaba, Mumbai – 400 001

3. Email Address

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4. Phone Number

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5. Citizenship Status

Indian Citizen

6. Details of Information required

(a) Sub

Subject of Information

Laws regarding taking photographs

with a cell phone, digital camera etc.

(b) Period of Information

N/A

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(c) Details of Information required:

- 1. Apart from "The Official Secrets Act,1923", are there any other Acts / Rules which prohibit / restrict / deter an individual citizen from taking photographs of any object, which is visible in full view, when standing on a public road?
- 2. If so, kindly give a list of them.
- 3. Does the "Central Office Building" of the Reserve Bank of India, situated on Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Mumbai 400001, fall under the definition of "Prohibited place" as defined in the Official Secrets Act, 1923?
- 4. Does any other building belonging to the Reserve Bank of India, fall under the definition of "Prohibited place" as defined in the Official Secrets Act, 1923?
- 5. Is there any other Central Act/Rules which prevent a person from taking a photograph of the Embassy/Consulate of Foreign countries?
- 6. If so, kindly give a list of them.

Signature of Applicant

Date: 30th December, 2013

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New Pelhi, Dated & February, 2014

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Subject: Application under Right to Information Act, 2005 - res.

Please refer to your RTI application dated 30.12.2013, received in the office of undersigned on 03.02.2014 and to state that as per IS-I Division (IS-II Desk), the information may be treated as 'NIL'. However, the application is being transferred to the following authorities to provide information, if available in their records to the applicant directly under section 6(3) of the RTI Act:

Point No.1 & 2

Director (IS-III) & CPIO, MHA. North Block. New Delhi and CPIO. Ministry of Defence. New Delhi (copy of RTI application enclosed)

Point No.3 & 4

CPIO & General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Mumbai – 400001. (copy of RTI application enclosed)

Point No.5&6

Director & CPIO (RTI Cell), Ministry of External Affairs. Jawahar Bhawan. Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi. (copy of RTI application enclosed)

In case you are not satisfied with the reply, you may prefer an appeal within 30 days from the receipt of this communication to Shri Rakesh Singh. Joint Secretry(1S-I). Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi who is the appellate authority in

this case.

Director (IS-I) & CPIO

Tel.23092132